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Former Albanian Passes In B.C.

ST. ALBERT—It is with regret that residents here learned of the death of Heimer Dargatzis at Port Couillard, B.C. at 4:00 p.m. Monday, February 23. He is survived by four sisters, Mrs. E. Olsen of Port Couillard, B.C., Mrs. William Amdale of Edmonton, Mrs. George Friend of Los Angeles, Calif., B.C., Mrs. Martin Lind of U.S. Hill, B.C. and one brother Lewis Dargatzis of Onaway. Funeral services will take place either on Friday or Saturday at Port Couillard, B.C.

He came, with his parents, to the St. Albert school in 1901. He attended O'Donnell School and then farmed here till 1936. He was preceded by his parents, his sister, Mrs. Anna Dargatzis, and his three brothers, Simeon, Morris and Carl.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Dargatzis on February 21, a son, a brother to Harry, Fred and Kerry. Loss. Congratulations.

Walter Lewis Veness Old-timer Passes

ST. ALBERT—Walter Lewis Veness passed away Feb. 18, 1951, at his 75th birthday. He was born in Newmarket, Ont., June 24, 1868. On July 1, 1887 he set sail for Canada. Later he went to Michigan and worked on a farm there for two years. The following year he resided in Hamilton, Ont. In April 1890, he arrived in Calgary and, after working at Nose Creek, later he farmed at Pinfield for 15 years. In 1907 he came to St. Albert and purchased H. B. Davy's Lumber and Hardware land here. In 1923 fire destroyed the building. Since then he lived in retirement, enjoying his favorite hobby, gardening.

During his lifetime he took an active part in the community, serving six years as councillor and 15 years as Acting Police Magistrate.

Mr. Veness was twice married. In 1895 he married Miss Cecile Brown, a native of England. The two children from this marriage are Mary Cecile (Mrs. Angus McDonald) and William Joseph Lawrence Veness, both of St. Albert.

A few years later he married Mrs. Rose Anna Leonard. The two children from this marriage are Mary Cecile (Mrs. Angus McDonald) and William Joseph Lawrence Veness, both of St. Albert.

Highlights On the Town Planning Board

ST. ALBERT—The Town Planning Board is studying the building code. This code will be of great help to prospective builders and those who are contemplating remodeling, as certain regulations will be required.

When the building code has been submitted anyone wishing to ask any information regarding building regulations may do so.

At the last meeting of the Town Planning Board, five regulations on buildings were studied.

As the building code is a lengthy one, more study is required before completion. It is the hope of the board that the code will be completed by the time the building season rolls around.

From December, 1949, to August, 1950, Canada's food cost index rose 18 per cent.

Curling Notes

The St. Albert and District Curlers Association's local bonspiel ended on Feb. 16. Twenty-four local rinks were entered and after unforeseen upsets the winners were as follows:

GRAND CHALLENGE EVENT (Brain Inn Event)

First prize donated by S. Hauptmann, won by S. Bonnevillier rink. Ground prize donated by Curling Club, won by R. Douzich rink. Club, won by C. Sommers rink.

Third prize donated by Curling Club, won by Aurele Durocher rink.

SUNDANCE MIKE EVENT

First prize donated by Sundance Mike and Campbell Furniture, won by Lind Crozier rink.

Second prize donated by Fleming's Coffee shop, won by R. Douzich rink.

Third prize donated by Calgary Power Ltd., won by S. Bonnevillier rink.

Fourth prize donated by Curling Club, won by Aurele Durocher rink.

MERCHANTS EVENT

First prize donated by North-western Utilities, won by H. Gervais rink.

Second prize donated by T. Eaton Co., won by E. Soetaert rink.

Third prize donated by Alberta Brewers Agents, won by C. Sommers rink.

Fourth prize donated by Peron's Store and Dietrich Men's Wear, won by Mrs. L. Fuhr rink.

CURLING CLUB EVENT

First prize donated by Curling Club, won by H. Gervais rink. Ground prize donated by McGivins Ltd., won by G. Akerman rink.

Third prize donated by Calgary Power Ltd., won by G. Kluthe rink.

Fourth prize donated by Army Navy Dept Stores and Bambush Store, won by J. Vollmer rink.

Farm Unions Hear Master Farmer's Address

ST. ALBERT—In February the St. Albert FWUA held a joint meeting with the FUA in the St. Albert Community Hall. It was decided to hold a basket social during Lent. Films were shown by a director of the Wheat Pool. A report on the work of the Co-op was given by Mr. Ernie Lewis, master farmer of Wintburn, who is also a district delegate of the Wheat Pool. It was noted that new memberships are coming in very suitably, there being 22 new ones in the FWUA since the current membership drive started. Lunch was served by Mrs. J. G. Harrold and Mrs. O. Sinclair.

Successful Banquet Held At Legal

LEGAL—The Grand Bonspiel which took place in Legal during the past two weeks ended last Wednesday evening, Feb. 18. Here is a complete list of the lucky winners in the four events. In the Grand Challenge: First, Flaherty; second, Pat Montpetit; third, Tom Casavant; fourth, Mr. McLean. In the Farmers' event: First, Mr. Bob Devost; second, Mr. Arthur Chamberland; third, Mr. Fred Henry; fourth, Mr. Frank Rivard. In the Merchants' event: First, Mr. Bob Devost; second, Mr. Henri Casquette; third, Mr. Rod Boisvert; fourth, Mr. Jules Baert. In the clubs event: First, Mr. Geo. Montpetit; second, Mr. Winnipegchuk; third, Mr. Flaherty; fourth, Mr. A. Deschamps.

A women's Bonspiel was also held last Saturday and the winners in the two main events were Mrs. Flaherty and Mrs. Devost.

In another challenge between four other clubs of St. Albert, Morris Hill, Bushy and Legal, Legal won the challenge cup.

His penny bill: In 1951 Canada spent \$4,000,000,000 on food.

TWO VILLENEUVE MEN TAKE EXTENDED TOUR

On November 25 Arthur Salgo and Albert Soma both of Villeneuve took the train to start a trip overseas to Belgium. That particular train took us to Toronto and the Greg Cup play-off between Edmonton Eskimos and Toronto Argonauts. Needless to say that was a first instalment on a long trip and to be forgotten for a long while. The Eskimos did play a good game and lost. From Toronto to Montreal the night train, and arrived soon enough to visit Montreal for a couple of days. On Dec. 2 we boarded the North Star, a TTA four-engined luxury airplane to arrive in Brussels, Belgium on Dec. 3, thus 17 hours of flying time with three stops in between took us in one day and night for a distance of 5,000 miles. The contrast in building roads, conveyances (cars, buses, trains) is remarkable in Europe. A slight delay in South Bay, Labrador, to fix a knock in one of the motors and the usual routines of passing country customs and this trip was too perfect in every way or detail. We had thus seen a small part of Canada with their double decker street buses by the hundreds.

Beautiful enough are the buildings of stone and they are awfully very solid. We also saw part of the preparations being made for next summer's coronation of the Queen. Along a big park in London, seats are being built to accommodate thousands who will look on preparatory parades and at several festivals for part of the summer, so we were told by a couple of enthusiastic about this coming event of world importance.

In Brussels we were at our destination, within miles now we had to find our different relatives and friends. Calling on every one was fun and brought us happiness because we were so well received. It seems that everyone is so glad

of the news of a visit from America. You simply have to visit many and all come nothing short of treating you like a king. The best of liquor was tasted at almost every occasion, and a refusal is an insult. People there seem to dread the coming of an other war. Many times we were told another war will kill us all and so many if possible would like the chance to come to Canada.

Christmas was spent in the city of Ghent with friends we had met just a few days before and we had the treat of our lives. Singing and playing acts, declamations and good stories were topics which kept us smiling the evening. Next day, Dec. 26, we saw bicycle races at an arena or velodrome. This should be seen to understand the interest of thousands taking in this game. Next were preparations to visit France. Paris and Lourdes were objectives. On January 4 we took the train in Brussels. A four-hour ride and we were in Paris. As we were preparing for a two-day stop in Paris on the way back from Lourdes and it was new noon, we made preparations to see Paris on the way back. A night ride of 11 hours took us to Lourdes about 500 miles from Paris. The train (a direct we were on) got fast enough and we enjoyed the ride all the way.

Lourdes is beautiful and what would it look like in the summer time? Surrounded by mountains, you seem to be in Jasper or Banff only some other. One of the two days we took a "circuit bus" with guide to go in the mountains towards Spain. On our way we passed a bridge over the river built by Napoleon spent some time in these mountains during his reign in France. Tourists in Lourdes are few in the winter but enough to there all the time to keep things open. The town, which is overbuilt by churches, is nicely located along the river which does not flow too rapidly and the water is crystal clear. We certainly wondered at all this grandeur in the mountains. Our Lady of Lourdes had chosen a magnificent spot to appear to Bernadette and from around the world people come there to pray and ask her Blessings.

On January 5 we were back in Paris. A tourist bus with guide. (Continued on Page 2)

H. and S. Meeting Poorly Attended

ST. ALBERT—On Wednesday evening, Feb. 18, a Home and School Association meeting was held in the school auditorium. It was not well attended, only 22 being present. Several things were discussed. It was decided that a delegation of three members of the School Board plus three members of the Home and School Association make a tour of inspection of the three schools periodically.

Here are the dates of the three card parties to be held in the school auditorium by the association: Friday, Feb. 27; Friday, March 13; and Friday, March 27.

Prizes will be given at each of these parties. Also at the end of the parties a prize will be given to the winner with the highest aggregate score. Everybody welcome.



LAST THURSDAY, Alberta's First Session of the 12th Legislative Assembly convened to carry out the year's governing affairs for the province in the Capitol Buildings at Edmonton.

Two Villeneuve Men Take Extended Tour

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Dame Cathedral, its size and artistry, windows costing millions. The burial place of Napoleon, along with four other noted people of France, millions were spent to make the names of these men live forever. The Eiffel Tower is grand, it would take too long to mention all the different noteworthy things we saw. Two full days were thus spent. Then our guide took us to the night life of Paris as you know he told us half of Paris sleeps at nights. It was all wonderful. Then on January 8 we were back in Brussels. Now a few more visits with relatives, ride the small trains but fast. Rides in busses, in cars, through these rather narrow streets, wondering sometimes if they will make it, but always do it seems. There is now a lot of good wide cement roads for cross country drives and are always yet improving on that score. More beautiful roads, improved living conditions is progress I especially noted, but for the average person there is no opportunity to improve any more, work longer hours and not going hungry. In Belgium there is no city with a million people but they are plenty full, not many miles separate these smaller and clean cities. Brussels has somewhere near 500,000 and Antwerp is the Belgian seaport and something worth seeing. The River took us all the way over the big city explaining everything we passed. Of course at a few of the buildings we alighted to go inside

as it is sometimes impossible to describe by words what your eyes will wonder at and see, to give you a better imprint of what there is to behold, such as the Notre Schelde is very wide at that point, deepened to take seagoing vessels. It is not bridged, but underground passage-ways connect both sides of this river or sea-arm as it is sometimes called.

On January 20 we were ready to come back home and we confirmed our trip for that day. Heavy mists kept us a few hours longer than scheduled but we were taken late that day to London. There the mist kept us grounded again for one full day during which we saw another part of London, but we had to keep ourselves ready for any notice of flight to come to us. We stayed in a most beautiful hotel on TCA's account. Next day, January 21, all clear and we flew out on an uneventful but nice trip to Montreal by way of Glasgow-Iceland-Gander and finally Montreal, 20 hours flying this time. From Montreal home by train where the family waited to receive us warmly and we were glad to be back. Everyone very happy to return.

Two Visiting Rinks Entertained

ST. ALBERT — On Friday afternoon, Feb. 20, the St. Albert Ladies' Curling Club entertained two visiting rinks, one from Clyde and the other from Fort Saskatchewan. Mrs. K. Bonnyville skipped a rink against Clyde, and Mrs. Anne Bambush skipped against Fort Saskatchewan. St.

H. and S. Association Meet at Clover Bar

EAST CLOVER BAR — The East Clover Bar Home and School Association met at the school on Tuesday evening with thirteen members present. A lively discussion regarding the proposed change in bus routes and repairing the top casing of the school well were the main items of business. The program committee was requested to get a speaker for the next meeting. Everyone enjoyed a social half-hour with coffee and doughnuts.

Little Tots Enjoy Valentine Party

GIBBONS—Friday, Feb. 13, was a happy day in the Gibbons classrooms. Ordinary lunches were left at home and replaced by cake, sandwiches and candy. These children fortunate enough to have pre-school brothers or sisters proudly brought that small person to the "party".

Some of these little people were Judy Rowswell, Grant McWhirter, Benny Toane, George Fraser, Wendy Gibbons, Brian Hughson, Charlotte Williams, and two pre-school Serink and Onishko children.

Albert lost out in both games. Our ladies then served tea to the visitors in the Community Hall.

This week, three of the ladies' rinks are participating in a two-day bonspiel at Leduc. News of this will appear in your next Gazette.

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Ladies and Gentlemen:

It is with pleasure as Director of Civil Defence for Morinville M.D. No. 91 that I submit this report on the progress of Civil Defence over the year 1952.

In March, 1952, under the advice of the Minister of Municipal Affairs, Mr. Gerhart, the need for a Civil Defence Organization was deemed a necessity in the Municipality. At that time three people were qualified to act in case of Natural Disaster or War-made Disaster, but at the present time, we are happy to report that this situation has greatly been changed.

As of to date I submit a strength report for the Municipality of Morinville No. 91.

MORINVILLE

Personnel trained in basic First Aid	24
Personnel trained in basic Civil Defence.	
(Part 1 and 2 Training)	24
Personnel undergoing basic Civil Defence.	
(Part 1 and 2 Training)	16
Personnel undergoing advance Civil Defence Training	12

ST. ALBERT

Personnel trained in basic First Aid	32
Personnel trained in basic Civil Defence.	
(Part 1 and 2 Training)	30
Personnel undergoing basic Civil Defence.	
(Part 1 and 2 Training)	40
Personnel undergoing advance Civil Defence Training	15

ST. LEON

Personnel undergoing basic Civil Defence.	
(Part 1 and 2 Training)	20

YOUVILLE HOME—ST. ALBERT

Personnel undergoing basic Civil Defence.	
(Part 1 and 2 Training)	46

This makes a total of 151 personnel trained or partially trained in Civil Defence up to date.

Two more instructors will be available after March with which we hope to organize the northern part of the Municipality.

Respectfully submitted,

A. L. STAPLETON,
Civil Defence Director,
M.D. of Morinville No. 91

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St. Albert News Briefs

The Hobby Circle met at the home of Gladys Bork for their regular meeting on Feb. 4. Mrs. Ken Riley demonstrated punch-work cushions. A very delicious lunch was served by the hostess. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. D. Kuthe on February 25.

The St. Albert Lions Club held a meeting at the Club Mocambo on Tuesday, February 17. The speaker of the evening was Mr. Mr. Ellis. He discussed the subject of the proposed waterworks for St. Albert. Also the Lions planned the coming ice carnival to be held on Sunday, March 8. Different organizations in St. Albert and district will support a Carnival Queen.

The telephone company is busy re-building and putting in new circuits in St. Albert and district.

The Canadian Red Cross campaign will begin in St. Albert and district approximately March 1. The quota for our branch is \$400. Please donate readily to your canvasser, as this society is as active during peace time as it is in war time. The pressing need now is to help the flood victims in England and the Netherlands.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bourne have moved into Edmonton.

Messrs. Fred Bellerose, Fred Akins, Röger and Wilfred Ethier motored to the Pacific Coast in quest of steady employment.

The girls' 4-H clothing club met at the home of Mrs. H. Benion on Monday evening, Feb. 23. Misses Whaley and Fraser were there to help the girls that are going to the agricultural short course with their demonstration.

The sympathy of the residents of St. Albert and district is extended to Mrs. Stan Hauptman during her recent bereavement. Her father, a long-time resident of the Lamont district, passed away on Feb. 20.

There will be no election of town councillor this year. On the day of nomination the terms of Mr. Tetreau and Dr. Cuts were up. Dr. Cuts was re-elected. The retiring councillors are Mr. Tetreau and Mr. F. Girard. The new councillors are Mr. Raymond Ethier and Mr. Harold Fleming. The mayor, Mr. Wm. Veness, was re-elected for two years.

At the annual meeting of the school board held in the school auditorium on Thursday, February 19, Dr. Cuts acted as chairman. The retiring members of the town school board were Messrs. J. Rouault, P. Morin, L. Akins. J. Rouault was re-elected. The two other vacancies were filled by Messrs. Ben Morin and Raymond Ethier. For the east district, Mr. Andrew Kennedy was re-elected. For the west district, Mr. Wm. Unterschultz will replace Mr. L. Antherien.

In the hospital this week are: Margaret Venness, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Veness, and Bruce Rowswell, grandson of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Akins. Also, Mr. Tony Bykowski is a patient in a city hospital.

A civil defence group has been formed at the Youville Home. They have already had three meetings. Right now they are trying to get their own first aid instructor.

Our St. Albert badminton players will be taking part in the Northern Alberta Championship play-offs the week of March 9.

Our Scouts and Cubs are still flourishing. The annual parent and son banquet will take place the second Sunday in March.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Ross and Sheila left on Monday on an extended trip to Arizona and other U.S. states. Leonard Hesse and Clem

Bokenfohr can't keep from smiling these days. They won a 1953 Dodge on Friday Feb. 13, which was raffled by the new Morinville Curling Club. Congratulations!

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bokenfohr have returned from a trip down east. They brought back a new car.

Last spring, Mrs. Bill Herron took part in the general course on civil defence in Edmonton. During the past year she has given a great deal of time and leadership in the organization of civil defence and first aid groups in the town and district. This week she left for Ottawa to attend a two-week civil defence forum there.

Legal News Briefs

The Record is sorry to report that Mr. Armand Demers was recently confined to the University Hospital in Edmonton. All wish him a speedy recovery.

Mr. William Boisvert, International Harvester dealer in Legal for several years, last week sold his business to Mr. Normand Letourneau of Legal.

A Ladies Bonuspiel was organized in the local curling on Saturday Feb. 21. Seven rinks took part. The rink skipped by Sandy Flaherty came out victorious. As prize, each member of the team received a delicious five-pound cake which had been generously donated by Mr. Patrick Montpetit.

The Record regrets to report that Mr. J. A. Therrien, manager of the Co-op in Legal, is on the sick list. Mr. Therrien was taken to Westlock Immaculate Hospital last Wednesday. We hope you will soon be back with us, Mr. Therrien.

All extend a cordial welcome to the family of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Briason who arrived from Guy, Alberta, last week. Also a cordial welcome to Mr. Mayotte who came recently from Nova Scotia to take up a job in the local Bank of Nova Scotia. He will replace Mr. Normand Letourneau who has recently bought the agency, whose owner up to now was Mr. Willie Boisvert.

Baptised last Sunday afternoon was Alphonse Louis Joseph Douzleeh, newly born son of Mr. and Mrs. Victor Douzleeh. Congratulations to the happy parents. It is reported that Mr. J. B. Vaugeois has rented his butcher shop once more to Mr. Lafond of Morinville.

Patients in the Misericordia and Immaculate Hospital this week were Mr. Leo Remillard and Mr. Jos. Therrien.

All parishioners are invited next Sunday evening to a special concert presented at the Lamarche Hall by a group of students from the Plamondon School, under the direction of Miss Collette Chamberland, teacher of that school.

Sincere congratulations go to Mr. Theodore Gelot, first pioneer and resident of Legal for the past 59 years, who has celebrated his 91st anniversary of birth last Monday, the 3rd of Feb. Ad multos Annos.

Edmonton Students Handicapped

EDMONTON (BUP) — More than half of the children attending Edmonton schools are handicapped, according to city medical officer Dr. R. M. Hayes.

Dr. Hayes told an annual convention of teachers that unknown defects are holding many children back and causing them to drop behind in their studies.

"In many cases," he said, "Children are allowed to attend school with ailments which could be discovered early and remedied."

"Fifty per cent of all students develop eye defects before they reach high school," Hayes said. "But the child's worst handicap is to feel different from his school-mates. This develops a feeling of frustration."

The medical officer appealed to teachers and parents to help solve the problem by reporting to school medical officers any change in behavior or progress in studies which might indicate that a child was handicapped, either by mental or physical defects.

Garneau Club To Present Ice Show

EDMONTON — The Garneau Figure Skating Club will present its sixth annual Ice Show, Feb. 28 at 8:00 p.m. in Varsity Rink. About 175 skaters between five and 14 years of age will participate.

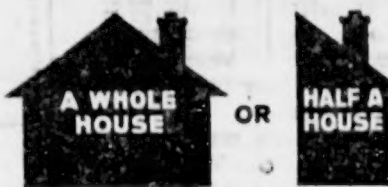
This year's show will follow the general theme of "The Nut Cracker Suite."

Mrs. Graham Huckell is general convener of the show, Mrs. W. E. Robinson is in charge of costumes and Miss Karen Wilson is assistant director.

Mrs. Don Stuart is president of the Garneau Club.

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There will be no national canvassing organization. Individuals, organizations and business firms are urged to make their donations through Branches of all chartered banks which will issue receipts valid for income tax purposes. All Post Offices will accept direct contributions by Postal Order, and similar arrangements have been made for Express Money Orders.

This is not a Red Cross appeal, but the Canadian Red Cross will be the administrative arm of the Committee for the distribution of assistance through its International Red Cross channels.

At present the appeal is for funds only. All requests for assistance from the fund will be checked by Red Cross Societies, Foreign Government Agencies and Canadian Embassies overseas.

The need is great. Your generous
help is urgently requested.



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PROVINCE OF ALBERTA

EDITORIALS

Our Free Press Owes Much To Linotype Machine

Ottmar Mergenthaler's Linotype machine, christened in the offices of the New York Tribune on July 3, 1886, was "the most potent machine of its age," states the March Reader's Digest.

The new machine touched off a boom in printing, created hundreds of industries and millions of jobs, greatly enlarged daily newspapers while lowering their cost made possible the printing of more magazines and books of many kinds. Because of the Linotype, libraries multiplied in number and size, and in a single generation the level of literacy advanced by a full century.

The Linotype made a metal slug that would print simultaneously several words in a line of type the width of a newspaper column. Previously, words and sentences had been formed laboriously by men who picked up the letters one at a time from type cases.

For some time after its first use, however, the machine seemed headed for failure for it was too costly for any but the largest publishers. Then the idea of leasing Linotypes was proposed. Small publishers could meet the rental terms; soon scores of small-town newspapers appeared. By the year 1900 there were 8,000 Linotypes in use.

In thus making modern printing possible, Mergenthaler succeeded where many other inventors had failed. He knew nothing of printing, the article says; therefore "his prime advantage was an open mind—he had nothing to forget."

Though he died in 1899 at the age of 45, his machine paid him and his heirs about \$1,500,000.

Seek Freight Rate Boost

Though granted a 9 per cent increase in freight rates a short time ago, Canadian railways now have further applications for freight rate increases before the Board of Transport Commissioners. They have asked for the following: an immediate 7 per cent rate increase; a 6.5 per cent return on the C.P.R.'s net investment in railway property; and a further 9 per cent increase.

Since April, 1949, increases granted the railroads and their annual cost have been as follows:

	% Increase	Cumulative % Increase over March, 1948	Annual Cost
April 8, 1948	21.0	21.0	\$ 70,000,000
Oct. 11, 1949	8.0	29.7	30,000,000
Mar. 23, 1950 (16% in lieu of 8%)	7.4	37.1	28,000,000
June 16, 1950 (20% in lieu of 16%)	3.4	40.5	13,000,000
July 28, 1951	12.0	52.5	
Feb. 11, 1952 (17% in lieu of 12%)	4.5	57.0	74,000,000
Jan. 1, 1953	9.0	66.0	42,000,000

\$257,000,000

With no competitive means of transportation to keep rates down, the increases in railway rates have hit hard at Western Canada. Farmers have been particularly burdened by the increased rates since they pay both the freight on produce they ship to market and on manufactured goods from the industrial areas. Any further increase in freight rates would be a blow to the prairie farmers.

Gift Of Hockey Puck

Vancouver Sun

Court circles in London are doubtless agog over the imminent arrival of the puck with which Maurice Richard scored his 325th goal.

This puck, so we learn, is to be plated with gold and sent to Her Majesty. This sort of thing is one reason why we sing "God Save the Queen." Police forces protect her from accident. The armed forces protect her from national enemies. But only God can preserve her from the egomania of her subjects.

Note and Comment

Horse sense is what keeps a horse from betting on the human race.

Goodbye To Nuisance Taxes

By T. W. PUE

Mr. Abbott has brought down what he says is his last budget, and it's a good one. Hardly anyone can be angry or go away mad with the 1953 budget. Even if this is an election year and we expected tax cuts anyway.

The 11% reduction in personal income taxes, and reduced rates of corporation taxes are, of course, important. But the really outstanding features of this budget is the elimination of the nuisance check excise tax and radio license fee.



T. W. PUE

Not so long ago I wrote out a check in the presence of an American business friend. He asked me, as I put a stamp on it, "What are you going to do with that check—mail it?" To him it seemed odd to have to put a 3c stamp on a check to make it legal. But I've never known the time when I DIDN'T have to stamp every check.

Well, now it's good riddance to a bothersome nuisance tax.

RADIO LICENSE FARCE

It's funny how long a perfectly farcical idea can persist in the minds of some people, and the principle of the radio license fee is the funniest—and the grimmest of all.

The funny idea was that the \$2.50 license fee tax on radio sets was necessary to give the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation an independent income so it wouldn't be dependent on the government for its support. It probably cost the Government about half the \$2.50 to collect and a whole army of able-bodied men—office executives, directors, inspectors, collectors and investigators was kept on the staff of the Department of Transport to try and collect this license fee. Now some of these fellows will have to go out and get a job. So an unnecessary lot of human energy and wasted effort was being spent annually to support the myth that the CBC is not a government-paid department. But the fee is being abolished and there'll be no television fee.

But we don't need to worry about television, if it's left to the CBC there'll be none here for the next twenty years.

PROSPEROUS TIMES

The keynote of Mr. Abbott's address was that last year Canadians had prosperity without additional inflation. With no let-up in Defence spending and other Government services being fully maintained, other tax cuts are being made effective. Besides reductions in income taxes, there is abolition of sales tax on newsprint, greater allowance on medical expenses (all over 3% instead of formerly 1%) and other important reductions such as 4c less tax on cigarettes.

All this is possible (an estimated total tax reduction of \$250,000,000.00) because Canada's "Gross National Product" is rising year by year and it is estimated that it will go up another billion dollars (from 23 billion in '52) this year.

By making and selling more goods we are benefiting directly by lower taxes. Which seems to prove that the only way to have prosperity is not to work harder, and produce more goods.

And that applies to a nation as well as to individuals.

Prayer

Last Friday, the Christian Women's world day of prayer was observed in Canada and many other countries. It is good to see members of all Christian groups united in the spirit of Prayer. When we consider that our nominally Christian churches are divided on questions ranging from the Divinity of Christ to whether or not an organ should be allowed in a church. It is refreshing to note that all agree on the power and efficacy of prayer.

A little-known group, the Christadelphians, through an Edmonton district member of this group sent us the following thoughts on Prayer:

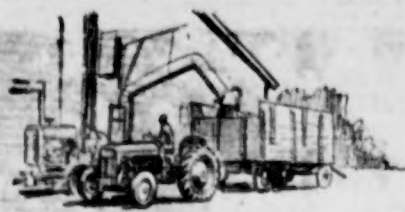
"Prayer is the mightiest thing put into human hands. If we know how to pray, nothing is impossible to us. Prayer should be a thing of plan and purpose as well as impulse.

The power to pray, and the power to teach others to pray, is entirely dependent on the depth of the spiritual life."

The Bible Today

No man can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one, and love the other or he will hold to the one and despise the other.—Matthew, VI: 24.

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Voice of the People

YACHT ECONOMY

Apparently General Ike, new President of the U.S.A., won't be using the Presidential yacht down there at Washington. Why not ask the Americans to send it to England as part of the next batch of economic aid and save the British the cost of building a new one for the Queen?

M. K.

AGE PROBLEMS

To my mind, this is the problem that should be uppermost in the minds of our lawmakers—the ending of the discrimination against men over 40 years of age when it comes to employment. Don't men of this age have the right to earn a living and pursue happiness? Then why do some businesses and many of our unions shun men of this age? What do our Senators and M.P.'s propose to do to these older men—shoot them?

WILLIAM D.

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FAMILY AGES TOTAL 597 YEARS

It is assumed the following ages are correct, and all names are of one family:

William Cruickshanks, Vancouver, 82 years; James Cruickshanks, Edmonton, 81 years; John Cruickshanks, Ranfurly, 79 years; Mrs. J. Lindsay, Vancouver, 76 years; Alex Cruickshanks, Ranfurly, 74 years; Mrs. E. Chandler, Ranfurly, 72 years; Mrs. R. Hopkins, Vancouver, 70 years; Robert Cruickshanks, Peace River, 63 years.

The ages total 597 years which, if laid end to end backwards, would bring us to the year 1356 A.D. If laid end to end forward they bring us to the year 2550 A.D., when none of us is likely to be on hand, not even a Cruickshanks. Anyway, it is quite a record of longevity in any one family.

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Quick Canadian Quiz No. 106

1. Did the 1951 census show more unmarried men or women in Canada?
2. Do we import or manufacture more of our wool textiles?
3. When and where was the first transatlantic wireless telegraph sending station established in North America?
4. Name the largest city in each of the four maritime provinces.
5. Does Canada sell more to the British Commonwealth countries, excluding the United Kingdom, or to the countries of Latin America?

ANSWERS: 5. To Latin America. 3. In 1904, at Table Mountain, N.B. 4. 423,333 more unmarried men than women. 4. Halifax, N.S.; St. John, N.B.; Charlottetown, P.E.I.; St. John's, Nfld. 2. This year Canadian manufacturers will supply half the market, down from two-thirds in post-war years.

Material supplied by the editors of Quick Canadian Facts, the handbook of facts about Canada.

Queen To Walk On Gold Carpet

LONDON—Some of the world's most impressive carpet will cover the ancient stones of Westminster Abbey at the Coronation of Queen Elizabeth next June.

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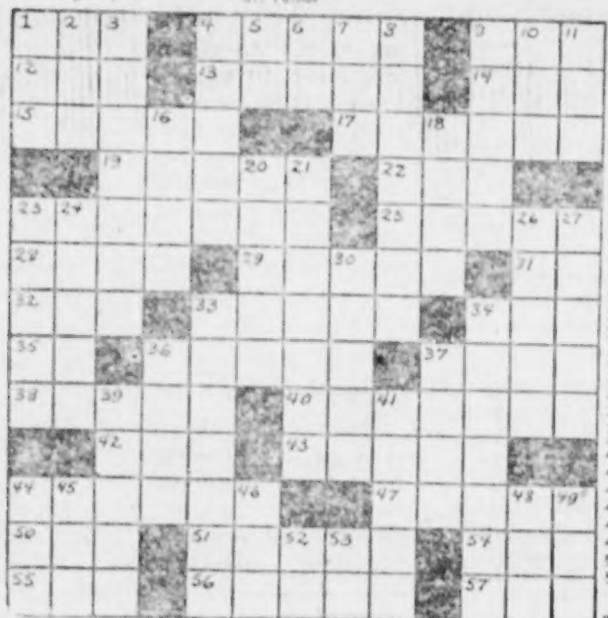
Our Weekly CROSSWORD PUZZLE

- ACROSS
1. Highest part
 4. Perfect
 9. Keep secret watch
 12. Before
 13. Raised narrow strip
 14. American poet
 15. Courage
 17. Harms
 19. Long pointed teeth
 22. Electric particle
 23. Gift
 25. Outside
 28. Religious group
 29. Are not
 31. Musical note
 32. High in pitch

- DOWN
33. Iron
 34. Pronoun
 35. French article
 36. Stories
 37. Ran
 38. Legends
 40. Sags
 42. Frigorous
 43. Country in Asia
 44. Contest areas
 47. Mistake
 50. Male sheep
 51. Tagged wheels
 54. First woman
 55. Compass point
 56. Left up
 57. Father



(SOLUTION TO LAST WEEK'S PUZZLE)



- DOWN
1. Number
 2. Metallic rock
 3. Flawless
 4. Greek goddess of peace
 5. Prefixed
 6. Start for Edward
 7. Grow old
 8. Armes
 9. Used up
 10. Cooking utensil
 11. Affirmative
 12. Large
 13. Put to flight
 14. Knot in wood
 15. Thoroughfare
 16. Sacred song
 17. Carry farther
 18. Upper regions of space
 19. Hollow glasses
 20. Literary composition
 21. Highway
 22. Pierced
 23. Slender
 24. Mix
 25. Subject
 26. Lock of hair
 27. Part of to be
 28. United
 29. Ocean
 30. Eggs
 31. A color
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At school one day I remarked to a boy "Who waved your lovely hair, Henry?" But my tongue slipped and instead of saying "Henry" I said "Honey" by mistake. Everyone laughed — and was I ever embarrassed!

HELEN McLEOD,
Brightbank, Alberta.

Late at a friend's party, I met and chatted with a girl. Commenting on one young man I said, "Well, take a look at that flirtatious guy over there—giving all the girls the glad eye! If I had a boy friend like that I'd kill him!" Then, turning to her, I asked, "What would you do?" Glaring, she snapped, "Nothing! For your information, that young man's my fiancé and he's merely trying to liven things up around here!"

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Worthy Children Given Real Home

There is a big brick house on 103 St. and 99 Ave., thousands of people drive or walk past daily and yet few realize that it is more than just a house. It's a monument to kindness and determination. This is The Edmonton for Ex-Servicemen's Children and, when it was incorporated under The Benevolent Societies Act in 1946 it was the first home of its kind in Canada.

The home is a complete departure from what we have come to know of charitable institutions — it is more comparable to a good residential hotel with sincere love and kindness added. The idea of starting the home was formed by a group of women who were already working for the purpose of aiding service men. The president of the group then and now is Mrs. J. E. Petersen.

She and her husband do the lions share of the work today, just as they have since the idea was conceived. The going has been tough every inch of the way. In November, 1944, a trust fund was set up and more funds were raised. In April, 1946, the building was purchased. Months of cleaning, decorating and renovating followed; furniture was obtained and then in December, 1946, the doors opened to admit the first children.

The Policy of the Home was to offer care and comfort to children of ex-servicemen or women between the ages of 4 and 14. The age limits have frequently been ignored where families of children are in need of care and do not all come within the limits. As a result the home at present has children ranging in age from 2 to 17.

For the first 2 years of operation the average number of children being cared for was 35 at any one time, since then the need has increased and the average for the past year was 50.

The children are of many racial origins and religious faiths, there is absolutely no discrimination. They are educated to the highest possible standard and are encouraged to attend the church of their faith.

The children enter the home for a multitude of reasons, to mention a few there are cases where the mother has deserted the home and the father is unable to take care of the children and still keep his job.

There are cases of mothers deserted and having to seek full time em-



The three young tots shown are representative of the fifty or more children cared for at the Home For Ex-Servicemen's Children in Edmonton. Guiding hand in the worthy project is Mrs. J. E. Petersen, whose family of fifty makes every day a busy day.

ployment in order to live. Then there are children who were removed from their homes because of neglect by parents, and of course separations, divorcees and death of parents are common causes. Wherever it is possible without causing hardship, the parent or guardian of a child are asked to pay part of the cost, an amount of from 20 to 30 dollars per month.

In spite of grants made by the Community Chest, the Provincial Government, The Ladies' Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion (Branch No. 24 and country branches) and the Eastern Star Ladies, the home is constantly in need of funds. Faith and determination has kept things going thus far and it is the writer's firm conviction that the home will continue for many years to come.

One citizen of Edmonton who makes a notable contribution is Dr. Harry Wienos. He attends the children in sickness, or, if a child is brought to his office he always manages to attend it however busy he may be. He makes no charge for these services and sends cash donations as well. It is men such as he that without ever mentioning it continues to give help and support wherever it is needed. Various food donations are made through the year, one city bakery regularly sends all surplus bread and buns to the home. The city allows the home

free taxes, light and telephone. A great number of individuals and organizations send gifts and offer other forms of aid at Christmas time, but it is the other 51 weeks of the year that are difficult to get through.

Just pause for a while and try to imagine some of the chores that go with running such a "family." At this time of the year the children have to be dressed in overshoes and parkas and, of course, undressed.

Consider the job of getting them into bed and up again in the morning. These points would be minor details if the building was designed to house 50 and if sufficient help could be hired, under the existing conditions however it's just plain toil.

Funds do not permit the hiring of a qualified resident housekeeper, so Mr. and Mrs. Petersen have moved into the home in order to be available at all times. This, of course, leaves them very little time to pursue any other interests they may have, or to enjoy the comforts they are entitled to expect after raising a family.

Next time you pass the red brick building take a look in the grounds, you will probably see some well dressed, healthy, happy youngsters playing, then you will really be able to appreciate what a fine job is being done.



This scene is typical of many which will take place this month throughout the schools in Canada. A teacher instructing pupils in the wonderful relief work of the Red Cross.

Canadian Boys and Girls Send Help To Other Children Through Red Cross

February will be "Junior Red Cross Month" throughout Canada when the more than one million school children enrolled in the Canadian Junior Red Cross Society will work to provide food, clothing, medicines and school supplies for some two hundred million children in Korea, India, Pakistan and Indonesia.

In a nation-wide drive supported by the Canadian Education Association and the provincial Departments of Education, the children will make clothing and health kits, collect school supplies and raise money for this project.

In Korea there are at least 3,000,000 orphans roaming the streets, searching for food and lodging. India and Pakistan have even greater numerical problems in caring for their children; and in Indonesia, 99 per cent of the children are illiterate.

Literally millions of children are in urgent need of food, clothing and medicines. In Indonesia alone there are 32,000,000 persons suffering from yaws, a crippling disease that means slow death and continual misery but which is curable almost immediately with penicillin.

The Red Cross, all nations of quick

rehabilitation must be not added, declares M. C. Cooke, U.S. Red Cross representative in the Far East. "The problem is one of emergency relief." This entails feeding, sheltering and clothing the 10,000,000 war victims, a U.N. job in which Red Cross is co-operating, and fighting disease and caring for the sick and injured, a program implemented largely by the League of Red Cross Societies.

With these reasons for its campaign, the Junior Red Cross has felt it imperative to call on the support of every classroom. All monies collected will be used to purchase relief materials through Red Cross' special facilities.

In addition to the contribution of relief goods, children who support the drive will be making a concrete contribution to the cause of international understanding, one of the aims of the Junior Society.

Chrysler Corporation Plan Huge Canadian Expansion

A plant manufacturing expansion program costing over seventeen million dollars and requiring more than two years to complete is being undertaken immediately in Windsor by the Chrysler Corporation of Canada, Limited. When completed the Corporation will be able to produce more than double its present output of passenger cars. The program was announced at a press conference held by E. C. Row, President and General Manager of the Corporation.

"We have made a very comprehensive study," explained Mr. Row, "and our confidence in the future of Canada demands an immediate expansion of our facilities. This expansion will take more than the usual time, for we must replace our present building and shipping facilities, before we can undertake other construction for the addition to our passenger car plant."

The Corporation's passenger car plant will have additions on the west and south sides which, when completed, will more than double the existing floor area of the plant. When completed, the total floor area of the plant will be substantially over six million square feet. Additional employees will be required eventually, but their number will not be known until the project is completed.

The new loading and shipping facilities, of necessity, will be one of the first buildings to be completed in the programme. Company officials reveal that it will be located on the Corporation's property adjoining the Corporation's present passenger car and motor plants.

The Corporation's Powerhouse will also be enlarged considerably in order to meet the requirements of the new passenger car facilities.

Also included in the expansion

Former Alberta Bank Manager Promoted To Assist. General Manager

MONTREAL — In order to meet the immense industrial development which is taking place in Western Canada, the Bank of Montreal is raising to a new status its field organizations in the Prairie Provinces and British Columbia by creating new territorial division and by the establishment of assistant general managers departments at Winnipeg and Vancouver. This is the first expansion move of its kind covering Western Canada to be undertaken by any of the chartered banks.

"The magnitude of the West's post-war development," said Gordon R. Ball, B. of M. president, in making the announcement following a meeting of the bank's directors today, "is something we have watched with the greatest interest and admiration for a number of years, and we have endeavored to keep pace with this rapid development by the expansion of our branch organization wherever the need has arisen."

"Now, however," said Mr. Ball, "the need for enlarged regional authority has become apparent if we are to provide the kind of banking service we feel is called for in meeting the vast growth which is going on in the West at present and which we confidently expect to increase greatly in the years ahead."

NEW REGIONAL HEADS

To direct the bank's new Prairie Provinces division, Mr. Ball announced the appointment of Leslie L. Sinclair as assistant general manager, with headquarters in Winnipeg. Mr. Sinclair has served for the past two years as superintendent of the Manitoba and Saskatchewan district. Before being stationed in Winnipeg, he was superintendent of Alberta branches for three years. Previously he held important posts in Toronto, Montreal and New York. His earlier experience, however, was in the West, and he has been service at numerous branches in Alberta.

For the Pacific Coast division, which comprises the Yukon as well as British Columbia, the bank has named W. H. Raikes assistant general manager, with headquarters in Vancouver. Harry Raikes, a native Westerner, who has served the bank from coast to coast, has been superintendent of the B.C. district since 1960. He previously held important appointments in Ottawa, Montreal and New York, as well as at a number of points in the West.

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Garden View Mrs. R. Mantik

Entertaining our two grandsons to supper, I encouraged them to eat their beans with the remark, "they will give you good red blood." A few minutes later I offered them some lettuce and the six-year-old piped up with "Will it give us good green blood?"
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"Oh, those are some that got away."

An Ambulance Case

"A burglar broke into my house late last night."

"Did he get anything?"

"Rather! You see, my wife thought it was me."

Ask Pop, He Knows

Young Hopeful—Pa, what do standing armies sit on when they are tired?

Father—The seat of war, my son.

Horn

Repairman: "Shall I install a loud of soft horn, sir?"

O'Leary: "Just one with a dirty sneer."

Puzzled

Bassler—Why didn't you study the time table; then you would not have missed the train."

Rhodes—That was just the trouble. I wasted so much time trying to puzzle out the time schedule that the train got away.

Artistically Expressed

"It took eight sittings."

"What? Have you been having your portrait painted?"

"No; learning to skate."

The Difference

Patron: "That barber down the street has cut his prices down to 40 cents for a haircut."

Barber (after a withering silence): "Yeah? Well, a good barber cuts hair and a poor one cuts prices."

Only An Officer

Judge—What's the charge against this man, officer?

Officer—Vagrancy, your honor. He was loafing around a street corner all the afternoon.

Judge—Ah, impersonating an officer; 30 days in jail.

ALBERTA STILL LEADING IN TECHNICAL TRAINING

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While Quebec was the first in the field in 1915, Alberta followed the very next year, stated the former Tech principal, Dr. Fowler had been with the Institute from the year of its founding until he resigned as principal last year.

Alberta is still a leader in training more apprentices per capita than almost any other province and also in the quality of instruction, he stated.

The institute, which is administered by the provincial department of Education, is financed in three ways, 10 per cent coming from students' fees and the remainder being shared by the provincial and federal governments.

The latter began to assist the Tech after the recent war through the Vocational Education Assistance Act.

TRUE TO LIFE

"An effort is made in the shops to simulate the environment which the student will find when he goes into industry," Mr. Fowler stated. By illustration, he pointed out that in the auto, machine and woodworking shops the same type of tools and methods are

used as in commercial enterprises.

While half the day is devoted to the practical side of the trade, the other half is for theory, mathematics, drafting, and general knowledge.

Up on the North Hill, Dr. Fowler stated, there is an investment of from six to seven million dollars, where a staff of 150 gives apprenticeship courses to day, evening and correspondence students numbering 3,100.

He emphasized that there was a difference between a technical school and an institute. The former taught a minimum of academic subjects, and students could complete requirements with shop courses.

"A technical institute," he said, "is a school where students come in and prepare for one occupation and their day—the whole day is devoted to this one end."

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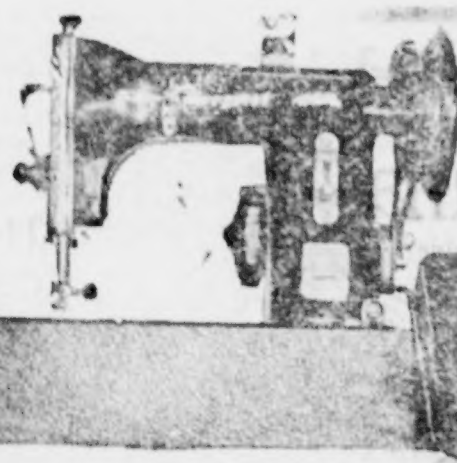
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What Is News in Other Alberta Points

4-H Beef Club Holds Successful Judging Meet

CROSSFIELD — A meeting of the Crossfield 4-H Beef Club met at the home of Roy Banta on Saturday afternoon, Feb. 14.

Two classes of heifers and steers were judged by the boys and girls and finally placed by Mr. McPhail and Mr. McDonald.

After judging, the club held their meeting, with Bernice McArthur as president presiding over the meeting. The meeting opened by singing "O Canada" and repeating the 4-H pledge.

A discussion took place as to how to raise money for prizes at time of the Fair. Mr. Banta, club leader, suggested buying two calves to be fitted and sold at Fair time for future year's money.

Thirty-five dollars were donated that day by parents and others interested in club work. (By the way, more money would be gratefully accepted for this club work). Two papers were given, one by Dace Konechuk on "Origin of Hereford" and another by Lorne Banta on "Blackleg".

Mr. Jess Hayton of Madden gave a short talk on "Beginning of Warble Control" in Madden, Dog Pound area in year 1945. Mr. McPhail gave a report on inspecting the calves in the club.

The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. Forsythe on March 21.

After the conclusion of the meeting the club and several visitors enjoyed a very delicious lunch served by Mrs. Banta.

Former Level Land Resident Dies

LEVEL LAND — Kenneth Lesko, age 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Haldric Lesko of Lacombe and at one time residents of Level Land district, died at the University Hospital on Feb. 15.

Kenneth was in the printing business at Tafel, Alberta, running the Mercury paper.

The funeral took place at Canadian Union College auditorium with Pastor Neufeld officiating. Lurid took place at Lacombe Cemetery. He leaves to mourn his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Lesko; one brother, Elavser of Washington, D.C.; three sisters, Mrs. J. Wentz of Lacombe, Mrs. Ken Proulx of Foremost, and Mrs. Dave Polay of Lacombe; three nieces and one nephew.

H.S.A. Meet In School Auditorium

BEISEKER — The regular meeting of the H.S.A. of B & S was held in the school auditorium on Feb. 19th.

The library committee reported progress in selection of books for addition to present school library. Plans are being formulated for a banquet honoring the graduating high school class.

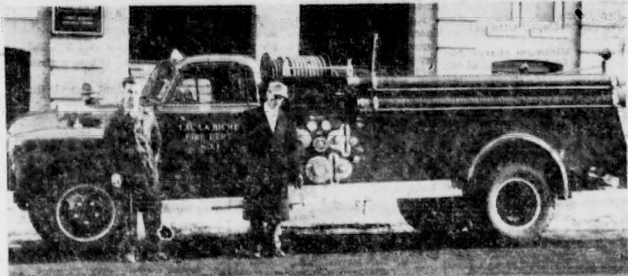
The art display of paintings by United Albertans was enjoyed and commented upon by the present. Many of the pictures were familiar scenes depicted with the appreciative skill of the artists.

Mrs. D. B. Olsen accented the position of pianist to replace Mrs. L. Brostrom, who is leaving Beiseker to make her home in Calgary.

Lunch was served by the ladies at the close of the meeting.

It has been estimated that approximately 25,000,000 acres of clay soils exist in the agricultural areas of Canada.

Fire Engine Brings Needed Help To Lac la Biche Brigade



Pictured at Edmonton, en route to Lac la Biche is a much-needed fire engine. Purchased from the La France firm, this new engine is equipped to handle all types of fires.

LAC LA BICHE ADDS NEW PUMPER TO FIRE FIGHTING EQUIPMENT

Finalizing the action begun with the December Council Meeting when fire engines were discussed, the town of Lac la Biche has purchased a new La France fire engine.

At the December meeting fire engines were discussed, and the Secretary was asked to invite bids from the various companies.

This fine piece of machinery has high pressure equipment with a booster tank and attachments for the new hydrants of the water system; it has the usual ladder and hose accessories and nozzles for straight stream and for creating the high pressure fog needed in big smoke fires inside buildings.

The town has many fire hazards and there is the constant danger of the effects of fires upon personal property and also on the general development of the town. Fire fighting equipment has become a necessity for both individual ownership and also for town.

Insurance rates are up to \$3.20 per thousand and this very high rate may be reduced as fire fighting equipment along with the waterworks becomes a reality.

Willow Ridge Boxers Active

WILLOW RIDGE — The enlarged boxing club is getting well under way, with a membership of over 30 boys. The four original members are helping drill the newcomers and so are doing little actual boxing.

However, Ross Speers was invited to go to Westlock Feb. 7 and fight his opponent, Orville Banister of the December bout. Ross, with several supporters, attended the match and again the bout ended in a draw.

Nevertheless, such was the quality of Ross' boxing that he received two awards. First, a prize for the best footwork of the evening; second, and most important, an invitation to enter the "Golden Gloves" to be held in Edmonton Feb. 27 and 28. His trainer, Mr. E. Magnan, has entered him in the novice class. Best wishes go with him.

Red Cross Group Aids Crippled Children

CROSSFIELD — The St. Valentine's tea was a huge success for the Red Cross group, who, busy as bees, had the Community hall in readiness for a well-attended tea. After a few well chosen words of appreciation by the guest of honor a delicious lunch was served. The men were treated to a special

The \$1800 spent on the engine will soon be saved in insurance paid in the town alone.

But reduction of insurance and protection of property depend on handling of equipment and for this reason a trained fire brigade is necessary; in conjunction with civil defense work in the town there is a fairly large group of men that have formed a voluntary fire brigade and are giving time to training one night a week. Their services and efforts are to be appreciated and it is hoped that the fire brigade will get good support from the public in their efforts, which will be the final means of saving the public much expense from high insurance and fire losses.

Lac la Biche is feeling fortunate in having its water and sewer services, its fire engine, and its faith in the possibilities of future development.

Hanna Pioneer, F. A. Mathe, Passes

HANNA — Frank A. Mathe, one of Hanna's pioneer business men, passed away in the Hanna Hospital on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 27 following a lingering illness.

The late Mr. Mathe was one of a group of men who on August 7, 1912, went to Saskatchewan for the purpose of purchasing business land and that fall entered into a grocery and meat business. A few years later the business burned down and the Mathe family moved to Outlook, Saskatchewan for a time, returning here to enter into the general mercantile business which he conducted for ten and one half years. For the past twenty-seven years the late Mr. Mathe operated an insurance and real estate business retiring a year ago on account of ill health.

For the past ten years he owned a section and a half of farm land north of Delta, and also held other interests in the District of Starland. Mr. Mathe was well known throughout the farming community as a pioneer.

He was born in Almond, Wis., and operated a general store in Park Falls, Wis. prior to coming to Western Canada. Serving for twenty-five years on the Hanna town council he also took an active interest in all church activities and was among the first to help establish the United Church in Hanna.

He is survived by his wife and three daughters: Gladys, Mrs. Stanley Kase of Edmonton; Marion, Mrs. Ian F. Smith of Calgary and Carol at home; also one brother, H. H. Mathe and a niece Stella of Bellingham, Wash.

Rev. W. L. Gourley officiated at the funeral services in the First United Church Friday, Jan. 20. Burial was in the family plot across the Hanna Cemetery.

After a few well chosen words of appreciation by the guest of honor a delicious lunch was served to the ladies of the district.

Home & School Group Hear Health Unit Discussed

PERRYVALE — The Home and School Association met on Wednesday, Feb. 18 in the community hall. Following the regular business, members of the Athabasca Health Unit spoke to the large gathering. Dr. Hesland outlined the complete work to be undertaken by the Health Unit.

Miss Poole spoke briefly on the work of the nurses and Health Unit, particularly in Perryvale. She also introduced her assistant in the work, Miss Arnott.

Mr. Plummer, the sanitary engineer for the unit spoke on the work he will be doing in the district. Following the address, a film, showing the need for Health Units and the work done by them was shown. We regret that the films from the Health Department did not arrive, but a very good film, showing the need for Health Units and the work done by them was shown. We regret that the films from the Health Department did not arrive, but a very good film, showing the need for Health Units and the work done by them was shown.

Lunch was served by the social committee at the close of the meeting. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 18.

Michichi 4-H Club Meets

MICHICHI — The 4-H Girls' Club meeting of February 12 was held at the home of Rita Spence. All members were present except Ruth Dewsbury. The roll call was answered by each girl giving her favorite recipe. The next roll-call is to be answered by "One rule that will help to conduct a special meeting." The meeting of Feb. 26 is to be held at the home of Anne Thurn.

A demonstration on Care of Skin and How to use Make-up was given by Misses A. Spence and Donna Mazzy. Following this a pleasant lunch was served to round out the evening.

Highland O.E.S. Install Officers

DELTA — Residents of Delta and district attended the recent installation of officers of Highland chapter No. 98 O.E.S.

The following were installed by Wills Mason, P.M., installing officer: Viola Hewson, worthy patron; Marshall Hewson, worthy patron; Violet Sloan, Associate patron; Glen Thompson, associate patron; Wills Mason, secretary; Alice Peters, treasurer; Malcol Phillips, conductress; Lillian McCully, associate conductress; Sarah Church, chaplain; Joan Decker, marshal; Letta Thompson, organist; Mona Eberley, Adm.; Myrtle Assured, Ruth; Annie Thompson, Esther; Marion Thurn, Martha; Isabelle Miles, Flora; Betty Thurn, Warder; Lorna Hoover, Sentinel.

Single Men Win Over Married Men

CEAR — A hockey game was held at the rink on Sunday afternoon with the married men's team, the men's team. The score was 6-5 in favor of the boys. During the game, Arthur Beck who played as goalie, was cut in the chin. He was taken to Provost immediately for treatment. Quite a number of stitches were required to close the cut. However, he is progressing nicely.

There are more than 30,000 registered in CGIT groups across Canada, and over 3,000 leaders.

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